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**CITY COUNCIL.**

**MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
 A meeting of the finance committee of the Council was held yesterday under the presidency of the Mayor (Alderman M. Harne). There were

present Aldermen Hart, Fowler, John Harris, Ben Waino, Landers, Beare, Sir W. P. Manning, Sir John Hainford, Taylor, Denn, Lees, Jeomp, Jeanson, and H. B. Chapman.

The Mayor stated that the lease of the Market street Wharf, hitherto held by Mr. Alexander Kethel, had expired, and formal possession of the wharf had been taken by the City Solicitor acting Town Clerk on behalf of the City Council.

Mr. Kethel had agreed (pending arrangements for new lease) to accept a weekly tonnage of the port dues of £28 17s 6d a week, being equal to £1500 per annum.

Sir W. P. Manning said he was convinced that the wharf was worth more than £1500 a year.

The Mayor said he knew that the property was worth more than £1500 a year, but he had made the best arrangement that was possible in the circumstances.

Alberman Jeanerret said he did not think the Government was justified in leaving the charges did on corporation property.

Alberman John Harris said that the Government acted on the assumption that the corporation could be raised to the level of a city, where the Corporation was empowered by statute to go to "water's edge" whatever that might mean.

On the motion of Alberman Joseph, second Alberman Jeanerret, it was resolved to recommend that the arrangement made by the Mayor be commended to the council for confirmation.

Alberman Joseph moved that the salary of J. H. Seale, who had served his articles in the architect's department, be appointed a draftsman at a salary of \$1200 a year, commencing from June 1st.

A recommendation was received from the surveyor in favour of exempting from the payment of the rates St. Joseph's Providence, and it was decided to submit the report to the council for adoption by a majority vote.

The City Surveyor reported against the proposal to widen the road at Beane's Park, Elizabeth St. on the ground that if such a work was entered upon the council might find itself involved in certain complications. It was resolved to recommend the council to adopt the officer's report.

The City Surveyor also reported to the council that he had authorised the laying down in the basement of Queen Victoria Markets of a floor constructed of concrete and asphalt, the estimated cost being £2300.

It was also decided to obtain from the city engineer an estimate of the cost of building a refuge

**A CHEQUE HELD IN SUSPENSE WITHOUT AUTHORITY.**

A matter relating to the lease of wharf held by the Parramatta River Steamer and Franchise Company, Limited, was brought under consideration. It was stated that the matter had been in the hands of the previous Mayor, but seemingly report was forthcoming.

Alderman Ives said that the matter was left in his hands and he had several interviews with the person in charge. On December 12th last he saw Mr. Wright and Mr. Cowper, who pointed out that the company had not paid the lease money. Rent for years was due, but the corporation was not in a position to make any reduction, because the Government had not settled with them relative to the amount they were to

After a very long consultation with Mr. Wright (the ex-Mayor) suggested to the committee that the company should pay in cash the sum of \$1000 for the year. On December 15 the committee wrote a letter which was received by him (Mr. Wright) on December 16, enclosing a check for \$1000 for 1914-15, being one year's rent on the company's account. On the same day the finance committee met, but he was not sure whether the letter was reported at the meeting or not. The meeting of December 21. They would have to go as his room of office was about to expire and it had reached the holiday season, it was utterly impossible for him to have taken any further action after receiving that cheque and reporting it to the committee.

The Mayor said that he had been informed by Mr. Palmer that the cheque had only been paid into

Alderman Ives said he thought the cheque had been retained through inadvertence. It certainly was not retained by any instructions from him. He had had no idea until that day that the cheque had not been paid into the bank.

Alderman Fowler said there was no limitation for holding the cheque in the manner in which it was retained. The cheque was a good one, and ought to have been paid into the bank at the time it was received.

The Acting Town Clerk (Mr. Palmer) read a letter which accompanied the cheque. The writer acknowledged the receipt of an account of £708 16s for rent for the years 1896 & 1897, pointed out that the sum was in arrears, and asked that the rent should be paid in advance. The writer asked consideration with a view to the rent being reduced, and enclosed a cheque for £354 8s, which he stated was half the amount.

due. That letter (Mr. Palmer said) came being a committee in December, and the matter was left in the hands of the then Mayor for him to report on it. But, as they had heard from Alderman J. Harris, he had not had time to deal with the matter.

(Mr. Palmer) was ordered to retain the letter in cheque in his safe pending further negotiations. He had understood that further negotiations were to take place, but finding on being appointed on the council as acting town clerk that nothing had been done, he felt it his duty to report to the Mayor.

Alderman Joseph moved, — "That the matter referred to by the Mayor for him to report on be reference thereto."

Alderman John Harris said that either they should have refused the cheque or it should have been banked.

Alderman Ives said the failure to pay it was

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The motion for adjournment was agreed to, and the committee dispersed without coming to a decision relative to the retention of the sheeps.

## INDUCTION SERVICE AT WAHROONGA.

There was a large attendance at the Wahroonga Hall last night to witness the induction of the R. J. Kemp-Burns (late of Nowra, Shoalhaven River) to the new charge of Wahroonga. The Rev. John H. Waugh, M.A., Moderator of the Presbytery presided, and there were also present the Rev. George M'Innes, (clerk of the Presbytery), M'Kinnon, J. C. Christie, G. D. Buchanan,

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**GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.**

**Annual Leases.**—A list is published of annual leases, which, not having been renewed, have become vacant Crown lands available for the purposes of the Crown Lands Act.

**Municipal By-laws.**—Additional by-laws made by the Dabhoi Municipal Council regulating bicycle and tricycle traffic are gazetted.

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<b>PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.</b>	<b>STATE CHILDREN RELIEF BOARD.</b>
<b>THE SHARE SYSTEM OF FARMING.</b>	
STATEMENT BY MR. G. H. GREENE.	The monthly meeting of the State Children Relief Board was held at the headquarters of the

A meeting of the Public Works Committee was held yesterday, all the members being present.

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worked on the share system, had thriven better in every way than the same class of men would have done on a salaried basis. The share system had

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